

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEVADA

Billy Wayne Perkins,

Petitioner

v.

Robert LeGrand, et al.,

Respondents

2:14-cv-00434-JAD-PAL

**Order Granting Motion to Reopen and  
Lifting Stay**

[ECF No. 29]

On August 8, 2016, I stayed this action pending exhaustion of Perkins's due-process claim in Nevada state court, and I instructed Perkins to move to reopen this case at the conclusion of his state-court proceedings.<sup>1</sup> Perkins now moves to reopen this case.<sup>2</sup> Respondents have filed a non-opposition, reserving any potential defenses.<sup>3</sup>

Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Perkins's motion to reopen [ECF No. 29] is **GRANTED**. The Clerk of Court is directed to reopen this action and LIFT the stay.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the supplemental exhibits [ECF No. 30] will be considered as additional exhibits to Perkins's first amended petition [ECF No. 14].

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that respondents must answer or otherwise respond to the first amended petition [ECF No. 14] by **February 19, 2017**. If respondents file and serve an answer, it must comply with Rule 5 of the Rules Governing Section 2254 cases in the United States District Courts. Perkins's reply is due 45 days from receipt of respondents' answer.

Dated this 4th day of January, 2017.

  
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Jennifer A. Dorsey  
United States District Judge

<sup>1</sup> ECF No. 28.

<sup>2</sup> ECF No. 29.

<sup>3</sup> ECF No. 31.